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For: PROCESS FOR THE RECOVERY OF	) Family Number: P2003J011-US2
SULFURIC ACID USING POLYMERIC	) (PEP-0404)
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 11, 2006, this Amendment and Response is submitted. This Amendment is accompanied by a request for a 2 month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Additionally, a formal request for any extension and payment of fees is made below in the event such fees will be necessary.

A Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 is submitted with this Amendment.

Please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.



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